



I THESSALONIANS

Part Forty-One: "Excellence in Moral Purity, Part 7"

Summary of I Thessalonians 4:3-8

Vs. 3 - Moral Purity is a matter of fulfilling my life's purpose.

For this is the will of God, even your sanctification, that ye should abstain from fornication

Vs. 4 - Moral Purity is a matter of spiritual growth.

That every one of you should know how to possess his vessel in sanctification and honour

Vs. 5 - Moral Purity is a matter of knowing God.

Not in the lust of concupiscence, even as the Gentiles which know not God

Vs. 6 - Moral Purity is a matter of personal integrity.

That no man go beyond and defraud his brother in any matter: because that the Lord is the avenger of all such, as we also have forewarned you and testified.

Vs. 7 - Moral Purity is a matter of my pursuit of holiness.

For God hath not called us unto uncleanness, but unto holiness.

Vs. 8 - Moral Purity is a matter of my respect for God.

He therefore that despiseth, despiseth not man, but God, who hath also given unto us his holy Spirit.

1. These simple principles remind us from whom and what we are being drawn away when we are tempted to sin. James 1:14.

2. These simple principles confirm why it is essential for a believer to strive to pursue moral purity.

3. These simple principles help us to be pulled by positive ideas instead of merely running from dangerous temptations.